

Baltimore Correspondence.

Doings of the City Council—Appointment of School Commissioners and Railroad Director—Confirming a Mistake—Arrest of Counterfeiters, etc., etc.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 7, 1854. The city council last night appointed John H. T. Jerome, Esq., a school commissioner, vice Beale H. Richardson, Esq., resigned. Mr. Jerome, whilst mayor of the city, proved himself well worthy of the confidence of his fellow-citizens; and his appointment to the important duty of guarding the welfare of our glorious free school system will be hailed with gratification by every friend of popular education.

Columbus Davis, a luggage-master on the accommodation train of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, had both his legs broken on Monday night, near Benton's ferry, on the western division of the road. He resides at Woodstock, and was doing well there yesterday.

A man named William Wilson and a woman named Louisa Miller, were arrested yesterday by Deputy Marshall Kries, charged with forging and passing counterfeit coin. The parties were committed for a further hearing by Commissioner Hanna. The spurious coin consists of dimes and half-dimes. It is supposed that a considerable number have been put in circulation, but they are poorly executed.

The Richard C. Mason who was elected, on Saturday, by the city council, a director in the Northern Central Railway Company, through mistake, and who resigned the appointment, was yesterday again elected by the council, who seem to be satisfied that the gentleman, though chosen by accident, will make a competent and faithful officer. The person whom it was first the intention to elect—Richard Mason—refused to permit his name to go before the convention a second time. The affair has caused considerable amusement, and is considered a very good joke.

A sermon preached by the Rev. Thomas Stockton, on Thanksgiving day, in the Liberty street Methodist Protestant Church, has attracted much attention from the violent denunciation which was poured upon this reverend and eloquent divine by the editor of the Baltimore Argus, who occupies a seat in that church. The facts of the case are these: Mr. Stockton, in the course of his sermon, alluded to President Pierce and the anti-American policy that he has pursued at home and abroad, as the only blot on the fair fame of the country during the past year. In short, he spoke of him in the same spirit that nearly all men out of the pulpit, and even his own political friends in Congress, now regard him. On dismissing his congregation, and coming down from the pulpit, the editor of the Argus stepped up to him and condemned his views in a most insulting manner, asserting that he would get up and leave the house if given the chance. Mr. Stockton, who is distinguished for his quiet and impressive tone, mildly replied: "Sir, I do not enter the pulpit and take my text, I do not know that such an individual as the editor of the Argus is in existence."

Notwithstanding the dull times, stringency in the money market, and other discouraging circumstances, matrimonial affairs appear to be as brisk as ever. During the half year, ending on the 1st instant, no less than nine hundred and seventy-four licenses for marriages were issued from the court of common pleas and county circuit court, the first representing the city, and the second the county of Baltimore.

The United States district court grand jury have made a presentation against the captain of a German vessel, recently arrived from Bremen, for a violation of an act of Congress, in bringing a large number of passengers than his vessel was entitled to carry. This is a movement in the right direction. Aside from the inhumanity of crowding so many miserable beings into a ship as to render it a pest-house, the tide of foreign emigration to this country is sufficiently great, without seeking to swell it by crowding two ship loads into one vessel. It is high time some restriction should be applied to this importation of foreign pauperism and crime, qualities which are justly applicable to a very large proportion of the foreign immigrants of the present day. To use a commercial expression, "the market is glutted."

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STANLEY'S WESTERN WILDS, OR, THE INDIAN AND HIS COUNTRY; Also showing the Northern Pacific Railroad Route, As recently surveyed by Governor STANLEY, WILL BE EXHIBITED AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL, Seventh St., On MONDAY, Dec. 11th.

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THE SCOTT GUARDS, Thursday, December 14th, 1854. The Scott Guards have the pleasure of announcing that their First Annual Ball will take place on Thursday, December 14th, 1854, at

CARUSI'S SALOON.

In announcing this Ball the Scott Guards solicit the patronage and presence of the military and civil gentlemen of the city. Tickets ONE DOLLAR, admitting a gentleman and lady, to be had of the members of the company.

Committee of Arrangements:

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NOTICE TO DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS.

Collector's Office, Dec. 5, 1854.

NOTICE is hereby given that the list of delinquent property is in course of preparation, and will be completed and published on or about the 1st of January, 1855. All persons interested are earnestly requested to come forward and (by paying) relieve the undersigned from the unpleasant duty of enforcing the collection, and themselves from the onerous additional expense attending an advertisement. dec 7-21Jan 1 R. J. ROCHE, Collector.

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THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1854.

When our paper went to press yesterday, the River and Harbor bill, vetoed by the President at the close of the last session, had just come up for consideration. The following are the subsequent proceedings of the House:

Mr. CLINGMAN said, as the President has promised to send in his detailed views on the subject, it would perhaps be proper for the House to wait until that time. He voted against the bill, and did not wish to hear anything further; but, perhaps, as some gentlemen who differ with the President may wish to have his views more fully before them, he suggested that the consideration of the subject be postponed for a few days.

Mr. DUNBAR said that large appropriations are made in the bill for the improvement of the mouth of the Mississippi and its tributary streams, in which all his constituents are interested. He voted for the bill in the Committee of Commerce and on its final passage in the House, and thought the President ought not have vetoed it, but he thought decent respect for the Chief Magistrate should induce them to wait until the President shall communicate his reasons for the veto more fully. He moved the postponement of the bill till this day week. All could then act understandingly, and gentlemen determine whether they shall attempt to pass the bill notwithstanding the veto of the President, or whether they shall introduce another which will not be liable to the objections which the President may assign.

Mr. WENTWORTH, of Illinois, said if he supposed there was any individual in the House who could be influenced one way or another by a message of the President, touching this subject, he would vote for its postponement, but he sincerely believed every man was prepared to vote yes or no on the bill. The subject is familiar to everybody; it has been an agitating matter ever since the organization of the government, and has been debated on every stump. This being the case he did not know why the House should not as well act now as at any other time. He supposed that the message already sent with the return of the river and harbor bill, was really the veto message. They had no right then to allow the President to send another message to be so considered. He would carry out the will of his constituents, and presumed every man would do the same. He would withdraw the motion to reconsider if any gentleman would state he is in doubt as to what he ought to do in the absence of the President's promised message.

Mr. TAYLOR, of Ohio, asked the gentleman whether the bill contained any item for the improvement of the rivers and harbors not heretofore recommended by the proper departments of the government.

The SPEAKER reminded the gentleman that a general debate was out of order.

Mr. CAMPBELL concurred in Mr. DUNBAR's suggestion that a decent respect for the President requires at least the suspension of action till the Executive shall have more fully communicated his views. Had the gentleman from Louisiana any information as to the time the President will send in his message?

Mr. DUNBAR replied in the negative, but doubted not it would be here in a very few days.

Mr. CAMPBELL asked, by this time next week? Mr. DUNBAR replied, I have no doubt of it.

Mr. CAMPBELL hoped, then, that the House would extend the courtesy to the President.

Mr. WENTWORTH, of Illinois, moved the previous question, which was seconded—ayes 82, nays 73.

The question was put, Will the House pass the River and Harbor bill, the President's objections to the contrary notwithstanding? and it was decided in the negative—ayes 92, nays 80. The constitutional majority of two thirds not voting therefor. The House then adjourned.

SENATE.

Thursday, December 7.

The SENATE met at the usual hour.

Mr. SEWARD presented the petition of E. K. Collins, asking Congress to take some action for the better preservation of human life in case of shipwreck.

On motion of Mr. BADGER, the Senate agreed, when they adjourn to-day, to meet on Monday next.

A resolution was adopted providing for the filling of vacancies in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, occasioned by the expiration of the terms of Rufus Choate, of Boston, and Gideon Harvey, of N. Y., by re-appointing the same.

Mr. BADGER gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill to increase the compensation of the members of both houses of Congress, and of the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. DODGE, of Iowa, introduced a bill to establish the office of Surveyor General of the Territory of Utah, and granting lands to actual settlers; re-passed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. MAXWELL introduced a bill to authorize the sale of reserved lands in Florida.

Mr. ZOLLIFFER introduced a bill further to provide for the security of the lives of passengers of vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam.

Mr. HENN introduced a bill making a further appropriation for the improvement of the rapids of the Mississippi river.

Mr. HUSTON, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported an invalid pension bill, which was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

On motion of Mr. PERKINS, of La., the Committee of the Whole was discharged from the further consideration of the bill to remodel the diplomatic and consular systems of the United States, and it was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

On motion of Mr. SOLLERS, it was ordered that, when the House adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet on Monday next.

Mr. COX then rose and announced to the House, in an impressive manner, the death of the Hon. Presley Ewing, late a Representative from the third congressional district of Kentucky. In conclusion, he offered the usual resolutions of respect.

Mr. BRISTOW, the successor of the deceased, seconded the resolutions, and was followed by Mr. LATHAM.

Messrs. BRISTOW, LATHAM, and SMITH, of Alabama, seconded the resolutions, when they were unanimously adopted, and the House adjourned.

TRANS-ALLEGHANY NOTES.

ANY person or persons having on hand and to sell, or desiring to sell, not less than \$100,000 of Virginia, or even thousands, may send them to Richmond to be presented to the Treasurer, and they will receive therefor Coupon Bonds of the State of Virginia. B. W. LATHAM, dec 7-21

REMOVED.

MRS. HESS has removed from Thirteenth and Half street to E street, between Second and Third, near the jail, where she will be prepared to tell Past, Present, and Future events. Thankful for past favors, she would be pleased for a continuance of the same, dec 7-21 If

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

BULLARD'S PANORAMA of New York city, which exhibits at Odd Fellows' Hall, Seventh street, every evening this week, positively closes its exhibitions here on Saturday evening. To-morrow and Saturday it also exhibits in the afternoon, at 8 o'clock.

PUBLIC SCHOOL REPORT.—We present below a summary of the Teachers' Reports, received for the month of November. All the teachers presented reports, viz: 27; number of pupils on the rolls, 2,143; entered during the month, 135; withdrawn, 123; transferred, 18; present every school-day, 565; average attendance in each school, 47; in each school corporally punished, 109; suspended, 17; awaiting admission, 128; aggregate days' attendance, 25,429; ditto, absence, 8,588; time lost in decimals, 0.24; number of visits made by Trustees and Secretary, 228; averaging about 10 every school day, and 6 to each school during the month.

In the first district not four days were lost by sickness or necessary absence of teachers. In the second, seven days; in the third, ten days; and in the fourth, one day. The least portion of time was lost by pupils in the fourth district, viz: fifteen; and the greatest in the third district—thirty. Of the pupils waiting for admission into schools, sixty-nine are in the last named district. The best attendance was by the pupils of Miss Middleton's school—the aggregate of days' attendance being 960; of absence 13. In the second district, in Mrs. Ogden's school, attendance 995, absence 18 1/2—one day lost by indisposition of teacher. In the third district, in Mrs. Clark's school, 895, absence 146. In the fourth district, in Mrs. Adams' attendance, 1,092, absence 115. Average attendance of pupils in schools in the first district, 39; in second, 45; in third, 55; and in fourth, 50.

These statistics show an improved state of the schools over the preceding month.

We are informed that, on last Friday night, a camp of the order of the United Sons of America, was organized as District of Columbia Camp No. 1, and is to be beneficial in its character. This order is of ten years' standing, and exists in many of the States and Territories, and is purely American in its character. It does not, in any way, conflict with the great political movement now in being, and which is the besom politically to sweep the errors of partyism out of the country. It is co-operative, and says at all times America for Americans. The meetings are held weekly at Temperance Hall, on Friday night.

CENTRE MARKET, WASHINGTON, DECEMBER 7.—Prices—Beef, wholesale, \$3 50 a \$5 cwt.; retail, 8 a 13 1/2 cents.

Pork—Hogs, \$5 50 a \$6 cwt.; retail, 10 a 12 1/2 cents.

Hams, 12 1/2 cents per pound.

Mutton, 11 1/2 cents per pound.

Veal, 8 a 12 cents per pound.

Butter, 31 a 40 cents per pound.

Cheese, 14 a 16 cents per pound.

Eggs, 35 to 37 1/2 cents per dozen.

Poultry—Turkeys, \$1 to \$1 75 each; chickens, 50 to 75 cents a pair.

Turnips and onions, 25 cents a peck.

Potatoes, \$1 50 cents per bushel—50 cents per peck.

Hay, \$1 37 1/2 to \$1 50 per cwt.

Wood, \$6 to \$6 50 per cord.

Straw, 62 1/2 cents per cwt.

Remarks.—Notwithstanding the increase of prices in some of the articles of produce, the market was very dull and heavy. But five loads of hay were in market, hence the rise of 25 cents per cwt. Straw was high, and wood was held at the increased rate of \$6 50, with small sales.

MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—The Board of Trustees met in the City Hall last evening. Present: Messrs. Davis, chairman; Bacon, At Lee, Dixon, Magruder, Hanson, Bennett, Dickerson, and Lord.

Mr. At Lee reported in favor of adopting Knapp's and Rightmeyer's system of penmanship; which, after explanations made by Mr. Knapp, was ordered to be used in the public schools. A letter, with an account and vouchers, was received from the late treasurer, Mr. Harbaugh, which was referred to Messrs. At Lee, Dickerson, and Lord.

On motion of Mr. Dixon, all the schools were ordered to close at three and a half o'clock, during the months of December, January, and February.

On his motion, also, a committee, (appointed by the chair), consisting of Messrs. Dixon, Allen, Dickerson, and Bacon, were ordered to prepare an abstract of the rules for publication.

The secretary presented his monthly report, embracing remarks on monthly certificates to be given to pupils; the use of a room in the City Hall for the Trustees; condition of certain school-houses; the obtaining a title to a lot on the corner of Fourteenth and G streets; uniform mode of preparing monthly reports by teachers; uniform hours of closing schools, &c.

The secretary was directed to communicate with the Secretary of the Interior respecting obtaining a title to the lot on the corner of 14th and G streets; also with the City Councils on the same subject, and the expediency of applying to Congress for a donation of lands for school purposes.

He was also directed to prepare in detail a report on the condition and suitability of all the rooms used for school purposes.

Reports of the teachers were read, and a summary of them ordered to be published.

Sundry bills were ordered to be paid.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, the offer of Mr. Knapp to visit the schools and explain his system of penmanship was accepted.

MILITARY.—Yesterday appeared to be quite a gala day for the military.

The Union Infantry, Capt. Lasell, turned out with 13 muskets, attended by Prosper's band. This is a juvenile company, and their first parade. They had a benefit last evening at Kunkel's.

The Washington Light Infantry, Captain Carington also turned out. The company were intended to act as an escort to the Washington Highlanders, but, owing to some misunderstanding in the advertisements, the companies did not meet, except at the Ball in the evening.

They marched, however, to the residence of the able Captain, where they sat down to a rich collation, provided for the occasion, and enjoyed themselves hugely.

The Washington Highlanders, Captain Reese, made their first parade yesterday. They were escorted by the American Rifles, Captain John L. Smith, which numbered 26 guns. The battalion thus formed were attended by Capt. Marcelletti's band, their first parade as a band since their reorganization, who discoursed excellent music. Upon reaching the White House, they passed through the President's yard. The President, by previous arrangement, was in front of the mansion, when the battalion passed in review, and formed below the centre of the circle. H. H. Heath, Esq., at the instance of the President, who had retired to the East room, conducted the officers of the Rifles and Highlanders to him, and presented them with appropriate remarks, which was responded to by the President. This was one of the most interesting proceedings of the day, and appeared to give the utmost gratification to all parties. The battalion was under the efficient command of Capt. J. L. Smith, of the American Riflemen. The Highlanders numbered 23 guns.

BALL OF THE WASHINGTON HIGHLANDERS.—This new and elegant corps held their first ball last evening, at Jackson Hall, and it was decidedly a great time. The supper and all other arrangements were superb, and the ball passed off most brilliantly. Delegations were present from all the companies in the District and from Alexandria, and the number in attendance was very large.

LARGE SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—Jas. C. McGuire sold at auction yesterday the beautiful estate known as "Ingleside," with the beautiful mansion standing on the premises, for \$35,000. The land comprises 140 acres, and the place was formerly owned and occupied by T. B. Hewling, Esq., who built the mansion, and expended a large sum of money in beautifying the place. The estate was purchased by Arnold Harris, Esq.

FALSE ALARM.—The alarm of fire yesterday, P. M., was caused by the smoking of a chimney at house No. 384, Pennsylvania avenue. After calling out the whole fire department, the bells were stopped, giving the firemen the pleasure of an agreeable run with a heavy machine.

Snow.—The first fall this season visited us this morning to the depth of an inch. The soft white coating which embraced mother earth makes everything with a cheerful aspect, it having brought with it a moderation of the severe weather we have had during the last three days.

WATCH REPAIRS, Dec. 7.—Benjamin Hawkins, lodging, Jno. Walker, Irish, vagrant, workhouse 90 days. Jno. McKim, Irish, lodging, Jodius Sulla, Italian, for riding a horse on pavement, was fined. A. A. Clark, drunk, paid fine. Daniel Conner, disorderly at the ball last night, was dismissed. Wm. Heffer and Robert Bailey, two boys, were arrested, suspected of stealing \$40 from Maher's hotel yesterday, and examination was deferred till this evening.

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